

REMARKS

In U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/827,263 (the parent application), filed March 28,1997, the Examiner required restriction to one of Groups I, II, III, IV, in an restriction requirement dated June 23,1999.

The instant divisional application is directed to Group IV (originally pending claims 81-83), drawn to optimizing data transmission by cost (class 790, subclass 238). To expedite prosecution, a new set of claims 58-75 has been proposed. The new set of claims is directed to the invention of Group IV, which is hereby elected for prosecution in this divisional.

Although the correct inventors were named in the parent application when filed, the election of the instant application resulted in the cancellation of claims so that less than all of the originally named inventors are the actual inventors of the invention claimed in the instant application. In the instant application, the inventor is Allan Herrod. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.160(b)(4), it is requested that all inventors, except Allan HERROD, be deleted since he is the sole inventor of Group IV.

Enclosed is an Associate Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence

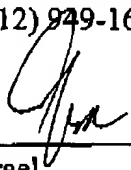
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Wherefore, a favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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